

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

RICHARD EMANSKI,

Defendant.

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18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(2)  
(Corrupt Payment of Reward for Official Action  
Concerning Programs Receiving Federal Funds)

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

At all times material to this Information, the Defendant RICHARD EMANSKI was the proprietor of a business engaged in interstate commerce which, among other things, installed flooring and carpeting. A person, hereinafter referred to as "the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education," was an elected member of the Board of Education for the Wilkes-Barre Area School District, a local governmental agency within the meaning of federal law that received federal assistance in excess of \$10,000 during the one-year period within November 1, 2004. The unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education was charged in a criminal Information filed by the United States Attorney earlier this year.

As a member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education, the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education exercised discretionary decision-making authority on behalf of the Board of Education and on behalf of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District and was an agent of the Board of

Education and of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District. Among other discretionary decision-making activities, the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education participated in the awarding of contracts on behalf of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District.

Between on or about November 1, 2004 and on or about January 1, 2005, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the Defendant,

RICHARD EMANSKI,

did knowingly, intentionally and corruptly give, offer, and agree to give and offer, a thing of value to the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education, namely, carpeting and installation services of a value in excess of \$1,000 but less than \$5,000, for use in the personal residence of the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education, intending to influence and reward the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education in connection with support the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education provided to the award of a carpeting contract by the Wilkes-Barre Area School District which benefitted the business of RICHARD EMANSKI, and which involved a value in excess of \$5,000,

It was a part of the offense that, after the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education supported the particular carpeting contract, the defendant RICHARD EMANSKI provided free carpet and carpet installation, of a value in excess of \$1,000 but less than \$5,000, for use in the personal residence

of the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education. The free carpet and installation were given to the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education for supporting the contract award and to reward the unnamed member of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District Board of Education for his official actions in connection with that contract award.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, §  
666(a)(2).

Dated: October 15, 2009

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